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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: 2.5 GHz Transition Initiation Plan for Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN BTA (BTA 298)
WT Docket No. 06-136

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 27.1231(f) of the Federal Communications Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 27.1231(f), Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp., a wholly owned subsidiary of Sprint Nextel Corporation (collectively "Sprint Nextel") hereby submits this Initiation Plan to transition the Broadband Radio Service ("BRS") and Educational Broadband Service ("EBS") licensees in Basic Trading Area ("BTA") 298 – Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN.¹ As indicated below, this Initiation Plan filing includes: (i) identification of the BTA being transitioned; (ii) a list by call sign of the BRS and EBS licensees in the BTA that is being transitioned; (iii) a "best estimate" of when the transition will be completed; (iv) a statement confirming that licensees in adjoining or adjacent BTA(s) need not be transitioned to avoid interference to licensees in the subject BTA being transitioned; (v) a statement that there is no co-proponent; and (vi) a certification that Sprint Nextel has the funds available to pay the reasonable expected costs of the transition.

Section 27.1231(f)(1)(i), List of BTAs.

The BTA being transitioned is listed in Exhibit A.

Section 27.1231(f)(1)(ii), List of Transitioning Licensees.

A list by call sign of the BRS and EBS licensees in the BTA that is being transitioned is provided in Exhibit A.

Section 27.1231(f)(1)(iii), Best Estimate for Completion.

After evaluating the various factors at issue in transitioning these licensees, including the number of licensees being transitioned, Sprint Nextel's best estimate for completion of this transition is on or before February 29, 2008.

Section 27.1231(f)(1)(iv), Statement on Adjacent BTAs.

Sprint Nextel has determined that it is unnecessary to transition any BRS/EBS licensees in adjacent or adjoining BTAs in order to avoid interference to the licensees in the markets that are the subject of this Initiation Plan. Our analysis shows that there will be no harmful interference to the transitioned licensees from existing operations outside the BTA. However, if field measurements indicate interference from operations outside the BTA, Sprint Nextel will incorporate the interfering licensee(s) into this transition or initiate transition for the BTA of the interfering licensee(s).

¹ Sprint Nextel is eligible to serve as the proponent to transition this area under section 27.1231(c)(1) of the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. § 27.1231(c). Sprint Nextel has also satisfied all necessary conditions for filing an Initiation Plan, including sending a Pre-Transition Data Request and a Transition Notice to the BRS and EBS licensee in the subject BTA. See 47 C.F.R. §§ 27.1231(d)-(e).

Section 27.1231(f)(1)(v), Statement on Co-Proponent.

Not applicable. Sprint Nextel is not transitioning this market jointly with a co-proponent.

Section 27.1231(f)(1)(vi), Certification of Funds.

Sprint Nextel certifies, based on the data collected through the Pre-Transition Data Requests, that it has sufficient funds available to pay the reasonable expected costs of the transition. As of December 31, 2006, as reported in Sprint Nextel's SEC Form 10-K, Sprint Nextel had total assets of \$97.161 billion.²

In the event you have any questions regarding the Initiation Plan, please contact the undersigned at (703) 433-4222.

Sincerely,

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² See Sprint Nextel Corporation Form 10-K, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on March 01, 2007.

EXHIBIT A

Sprint Nextel is transitioning the Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN BTA. The following list sets forth, by call sign, all BRS and EBS licensees that are being transitioned pursuant to this Initiation Plan.

Call Sign	Licensee Name	BTA Name
WLX200	Bd of Ed, Special School Dist. #1	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WNEY683	Broadcast Data Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WND309	Howard Lake- Waverly Public School	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WCU552	Minneapolis MDS Company	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WHR497	Minnesota Public Radio	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WLX299	Minnesota Public Radio	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
B298	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WHT677	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WHT678	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WNEZ819	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WNTA934	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WPE99	Nextel Spectrum Acquisition Corp.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WHR636	Regents of the Univ of Minnesota	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WIG34	Regents of the Univ. of Minnesota	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WHR847	Sherburne Wright Ed'I Tech Cooperat'	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WLX232	State of WI-Ed'I Comm Board	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WLX233	State of Wisconsin-Educational Communications Board	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN
WHR487	Twin Cities Schools Telecommunications Group, Inc.	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN